

Weather



National Weather Service

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32. North wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 46. North wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 22. North wind around 5 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 43. South wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 25.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of snow showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 40.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 20.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 51.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 27.

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 53.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 26.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny and breezy, with a high near 34.

Wednesday: High, 62; Low 27
 Precip: Wednesday None
 Month: None
 Year: None
 Normal: 0.42 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
 Friday 8:05 a.m. 5:36 p.m.
 Moon: waxing, 93 percent
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)



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Wings Upon the Prairie Executive Director Dana Schmid (left) and assistant director Pam Vandergriffy spent Wednesday evening crocheting scarves and baby caps. The organization plans to take a batch of knitted apparel to a men's homeless shelter in Wichita on Tuesday.

Workers spend 'spare' time creating items to give away

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The season of giving isn't yet over for employees at Wings Upon the Prairie in Colby. Executive Director Dana Schmid and assistant director Pam Vandergriffy were busy Wednesday evening knitting baby caps that resemble characters from Sesame Street. Schmid said they are looking for an organization in Thomas County interested in accepting their Crochet for a Cause donations. "We have lots of cute caps, booties and mitts ready to be accepted," she said, "and hope to donate them to the hospital for newborns or to the planned pregnancy office. But if there is any other organization who can deliver them to needy parents and babies, we'll gladly make a donation."

The nonprofit organization has also been busy knitting scarves and caps that will be donated to a men's homeless shelter in Wichita. Schmid said they have so far knitted about four or five dozen.

"On January 10th (Tuesday), we will be tak-

ing our donations to the shelter in Wichita," she said. "Members of Wings Upon the Prairie and other community donors have also given us coats and other clothes to take, so it'll be a much-needed delivery when we go next week."

Tucked into a corner of the group's meeting area is a large stack of about six boxes and four over-stuffed trash bags full of winter apparel.

Last year, Schmid said, the group was able to donate more than 150 knitted hats and scarves and over 100 knitted baby caps, blankets and booties. They plan to continue their work next year, she added.

She said Wings Upon the Prairie provides resources, counseling and care to consumers of mental health services. They try to help people with mental illnesses find their way.

The organization get money from a grant from the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, fund raisers and donations, Schmid said.

To make a donation, learn about the organization or to become a member, call her at (785) 460-7477.

College will open nursing center in WaKeeney

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tical nursing students from 18 to 30, along with the 10 registered nurse candidates in the new evening program.

"According to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, the United States is projected to have a nursing shortage that is expected to intensify as baby boomers age and the need for health care grows," said Joyce Washburn, dean of academic affairs. "Compounding the problem is the fact that nursing colleges and universities across the country are struggling to expand enrollment

to meet the rising demand for nursing care. Expansion in Norton and initiation of the nursing program in WaKeeney will help to meet the nursing shortage in northwest Kansas."

The Norton program will be in the newly renovated former Doctors' Clinic. The college has been offering the practical nursing program in Norton since 1975.

"As a premier provider of postsecondary and continuing educational opportunities in northwest Kansas, Colby Community College is committed to serving the needs of all of our stakeholders, but especially those

which help to create and maintain employment for the area," said college President Dr. Steve Vacik. Heath care continues to be a demand-driven field, and as we seek to be responsive, we have recently initiated a practical nursing program at Goodland in partnership with the Northwest Kansas Technical College. Taking this step at Norton and the addition of the program in WaKeeney is another commitment ... to serve our constituents through opportunities that otherwise might not be available to them."

For information, call Wolfram at (785) 460-5444.

Donors top list for state

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most of the people wouldn't even know about the opportunity," said branch manager Leszey Tubbs at the driver's license office. "I think most importantly, this recognition speaks volumes about the quality of our community and the character of people living here."

Tubbs said the brochures in her office give information about ways to donate and note that a person can even choose which organs they want to donate.

"This recognition is such a commendable accomplishment to the citizens and speaks to their generosity," said Gregory. "This lifesaving decision ... is an important and significant choice that allows others to get healthy and return to life with their families."

Not only should Thomas County be acknowledged, she added, but northwest Kansas as a whole. The percentage of residents listed as donors throughout the region is considerably higher than the state average of 23.47 percent, she said.

Sherman County has 49.58 percent listed, Rawlins County 41.6, Sheridan County has 43.75 and Logan County 41.51.

Some of the lowest percentages can be found in the eastern part of the state, with Montgomery County having the lowest per capita percentage at 2.0. While the office hers is run by the state, and serves a large area, in most counties, licenses are renewed by employees at the county treasurer's office.

For information and statistics for the rest of Kansas, go to www.mwtn.org/partnerships/

Twins gain in numbers

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A set of twins has been born in different years at a Minneapolis hospital.

WCCO-TV (<http://cbsloc.al/svPwaD>) reports one twin arrived in 2011 — and the other in 2012.

Officials at Hennepin County Medical Center say the mother gave birth to a son at 6:40 p.m. on New Year's Eve. Nearly six hours later, she delivered his twin sister at 12:26 a.m. on New Year's Day.

As a result of being born on different days, the twins won't share the same birthday.

Briefly

Session will teach how to prevent abuse

Northwest Kansas Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect plans a free session to teach adults how to identify, report and prevent sexual abuse of children. Project director Paige Campbell and Smart Start Northwest Kansas project director Maureen Ostmeier will lead the class from 9:30 a.m. to noon Thursday, Jan. 19, at Smoffee's, 365 N. Franklin, in Colby. Reservations should be made by next Thursday. For information or to reserve a seat, call Campbell at 460-8177.

Pasta supper to be held for Olympic qualifier

Come down and meet Trent Mazanec, Wichita State University javelin record holder, who has met the standards for the 2012 Olympic Trials in June, from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Community Building. Grab a plate of lasagna while taking in the Colby High School basketball games. Donations will be accepted for Trent's travel expenses.

College pool closed by renovation work

The Colby Community College swimming pool is closed because of construction and renovation to the pool area, including a new ventilation and heating system. Call Kipp Nelson at 460-5476 for information.

Dog, kittens available at Colby animal clinic

Looking for a pet? Colby Animal Clinic has a male black-and-white 5-month-old kitten; a male gray tiger-striped, declawed kitten; a female tabby/calico 5-month-old kitten; and a neutered male 8-year-old cocker spaniel available for adoption. Lost or strayed animals are often brought to the clinic. Call or stop by 810 E. Fourth St. All animals have current shots, and costs are minimal. For questions, call 460-8621.

Get a Colby Eagles flag and support the team

The Colby High School boys basketball team is selling Colby Eagles flags to raise money. The 3-by-5-foot flags are \$55 each. To order, call 443-2763.

Hospital offering class for expectant mothers

Citizens Medical Center will offer a four weeks of childbirth classes from 7 to 10 p.m. Thursdays starting tonight in the hospital conference room. Women due to deliver before May should attend with their partner. The next classes will begin in April. To register, call Jeanene Brown at the hospital Education Department, (785) 460-4850.

Singles dance set at Meadow Lake lounge

There will be a singles' and couples' dance from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday at the Meadow Lake Golf clubhouse. Stevens will have the music. For information, call (785) 269-7057.



Saturday Evening January 7, 2012										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Wipeout		Republican Debate				Local			
KBSL/CBS	Rules	Rules	The Mentalist		48 Hours Mystery		Local			
KSNK/NBC	NFL Football						Local	Saturday Night Live		
KSAS/FOX	Cops	Cops	Terra Nova	Local			Hell's Kitchen	30S	Local	
Cable Channels										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC	Joe Kidd				Hell on Wheels		Rio Bravo			
ANIM	My Cat From Hell		Pit Boss Special		Pit Bulls-Parole		Pit Boss Special		Pit Bulls-Parole	
BRAVO	Braveheart						Braveheart			
CMT	Footloose						The Singing Bee			
CNN	CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight		CNN Newsroom		CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Delta Frc	Talladega Nights					Ron White: Behav.		Carlos Mencia	
DISC	Gold Rush		Gold Rush		Gold Rush		Gold Rush		Gold Rush	
DISN	Austin	Random	Wizards-Place		ANT Farm	ANT Farm	ANT Farm	ANT Farm	Austin	Random
E!	Starky & Hutch				Kourtney and Kim		The Soup	Chelsea	Kardashian	
ESPN	SportCtr	Poker-Eu.	Poker - Europe		Poker - Europe		SportsCenter		NFL PrimeTime	
ESPN2	High School Basketball						30 for 30		SportsCenter	
FAM	Up				Up		Pixar Short Films			
FOOD	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Iron Chef America		Chopped	
FX	How I Met		Two Men		Two Men		Archer	Archer	League	League
HGTV	Design	Genevieve	Color	Donna Dec	House	Hunters	House	Hunters	Color	Donna Dec

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Stories from hometowns just like yours. Look for us each week in this paper.

HIST	Larry the Cable Guy	Larry the Cable Guy	Larry the Cable Guy	Larry the Cable Guy	Larry the Cable Guy
LIFE	Walking the Halls		And Baby Will Fall		Walking the Halls
MTV	Jersey Shore	Ridic.	Hustle & Flow		Belly
NICK	iCarly	Big Time	Victorious	iCarly	'70s Show
SCI	End of Days		Constantine		9
SPIKE	Behind Enemy Lines		The Replacements		The Perfect Storm
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	My Baby's
TCM	City Lights			Modern Times	A Dog's Life
TLC	Dateline: Real Life		Dateline: Real Life	Dr. G: Caylee	Dateline: Real Life
TNT	The Dark Knight				Van Helsing
TOON	Surf's Up		Oblongs	King/Hill	Fam. Guy
TRAV	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures
TV LAND	The Exes	The Exes	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Funny People
VH1	GoodFellas			Law & Order: SVU	Love & Hip Hop
WGN	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos	WGN News at Nine	30 Rock
Premium Channels	HBO	Arthur		Valentine's Day	24/7 Flyers
	MAX	She's Out	Robocop	Sucker Punch	
	SHOW	Red	The Mechanic	Strikeforce	Piranha

LOCAL TV Listings

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Sunday Evening January 8, 2012										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Once Upon a Time		Desperate Housewives		Pan Am		Local			
KBSL/CBS	To Be Announced		The Good Wife		CSI: Miami		Local			
KSNK/NBC	Dateline NBC		The Firm				Local		Dateline NBC	
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	Amer. Dad	Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds	
AMC	Jeremiah Johnson				Hell on Wheels		Hell on Wheels		Breaking Bad	
ANIM	Swamp Wars		Gator Boys		Finding Bigfoot		Gator Boys		Finding Bigfoot	
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.		Housewives/Atl.		Chef Roblé & Co.		Happens	Housewives/Atl.	Happens	
CMT	Extreme Makeover		Extreme Makeover		Extreme Makeover		The Singing Bee		The Singing Bee	
CNN	CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight		CNN Newsroom		CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Talladega	Jeff Dunham: Spark of Insanity		Tom Papa: Live- NYC			Jeff Dunham: Spark of Insanity		Tosh.0	
DISC	Secret Service		Secret Service		Moonshiners		Secret Service		Moonshiners	
DISN	Austin	Shake It	ANT Farm	Jessie	Shake It	Shake It	Austin	Austin	Wizards	Wizards
E!	Kourtney and Kim		Kourtney and Kim		Kourtney	Kourtney	After Lat	Chelsea	Kourtney	Kourtney
ESPN	NFL PrimeTime		College Football							SportCtr
ESPN2	College Football		SportsCenter Special				SportsCenter			E:60
FAM	Imagine That				Dodgeball: Underdog				J. Osteen	Ed Young
FOOD	Cupcake Wars		Rachael v. Guy		The Big Waste		Chopped		Rachael v. Guy	
FX	Hancock				Hancock				Jumper	
HGTV	Holmes on Homes		Holmes Inspection		House	Hunters	House	Hunters	Holmes Inspection	
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	Ax Men		Cajun Pwn	Cajun Pwn	Ax Men	Pawn	Pawn	
LIFE	Dance Moms		Dance Moms		Dance Moms		Dance Moms		Dance Moms	
MTV	Teen Mom 2		Teen Mom 2		Jersey Shore		True Life		Teen Mom 2	
NICK	'70s Show	'70s Show	My Wife	My Wife	George	George	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Angels & Demons						Monster Ark			
SPIKE	Walking Tall				Collateral Damage					Ways Die
TBS	Hitch				Hitch					
TCM	Cyrano de Bergerac				Joan of Arc					Vis Enfan
TLC	Jig		Hoard-Buried		All-American Muslim		Hoard-Buried		All-American Muslim	
TNT	The Bourne Ultimatum		Leverage		Transporter 3				Leverage	
TOON	Gumball	Looney	Chicken	Aqua Teen	King/Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Robot Chicken		
TRAV	When Vacations		Fast Food-Gibl		Place to Pig Out		The Layover		Fast Food-Gibl	
TV LAND	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King	King
USA	NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		Public Enemies			
VH1	Mob Wives		Baseball Wives		Mob Wives		Mob Wives		Baseball Wives	
WGN	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	News/Nine	Replay	The Unit			Monk
Premium Channels										
HBO	Robin Hood				Angry	Angry	The Eagle			
MAX	Cedar Rap	Gulliver's Travels			My Cousin Vinny				Co-Ed Confidential 2	
SHOW	The King's Speech		Shameless		Lies	Californ.	Shameless		Lies	Californ.